

Public Health Alert

DATE: June 15, 2022

Person Bitten by Unknown Dog at the Bentz Street Dog Park in Frederick, Maryland, on Monday, June 13, 2022. Seeking Owner of Dog.

A person was bitten by an unknown dog on Monday, June 13, 2022, between 6:00 PM and 7:00 PM at the Bentz Street Dog Park in Frederick, Maryland. The bite occurred while the victim was attempting to break up an altercation between her dog and the biting dog. The dog is described as a light brindle, female, Boxer-type dog weighing approximately 60-70 pounds. The dog was accompanied by a Caucasian man driving a red Honda civic.

Contact is needed to confirm the animal's health and whereabouts. The animal will be quarantined, which can occur in the owner's home, for 10 days to monitor its health. If the animal is verified to be in good health 10 days after the bite, it will be allowed to resume normal activity, and the victim can avoid receiving unnecessary and expensive post-exposure rabies vaccinations. The Frederick County Health Department is asking that the owner or anyone who has information about the animal contact Frederick County Animal Control at 301-600-1544.

If you or someone in your family is bitten or scratched by a dog or cat, obtain contact information from the animal's owner so that appropriate action can be taken. Report bites to Animal Control at 301-600-1544. Report possible human exposure to Community Health Services at 301-600-3342. For general rabies questions, call Environmental Health Services at 301-600-1717. Visit health.frederickcountymd.gov/RABIES for more information.



